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DECLARATION OF ZHIYUAN GONG, JIANGYAN HE, BENSHENG JU, TOONG JIN LAM, YANFEI XU AND TIE YAN

We, Zhiyuan Gong, Jiangyan He, Bensheng Ju, Toong Jin Lam, Yanfei Xu and Tie Yan declare as follows:

- We are joint inventors of the subject matter of the above- referenced application.
- 2. We are submitting this declaration to demonstrate that we conceived of the claimed invention prior to March, 1998 and exercised reasonable diligence in reducing it to practice from a time just prior to March, 1998 up to the time that our Singapore priority application was filed on February 18, 1999.
- 3. Attached as Exhibit 1 is an application for research grant dated prior to March, 1998, which lists Drs. Zhiyuan Gong and T. J. Lam as principal investigator and key team member, respectively. As can be seen from the abstract on page 2 of the document, a key aim of

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Note that the dates on those documents dated prior to March, 1998 have been redacted.